County of Madison

The Madison County Board of Commissioners met in special session on Tuesday, April 20, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at the Madison County Public Library Marshall Branch, 1335 N. Main Street, Marshall, North Carolina.

In attendance was Chairman Mark Snelson, Vice-Chairman Craig Goforth, Commissioner/Interim County Manager Norris Gentry, Commissioner Michael Garrison, Clerk Mandy Bradley.

The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m. by Chairman Snelson.

Upon motion by Commissioner Gentry and second by Vice-Chairman Goforth, the Board voted unanimously to recess the meeting at 2:07 p.m.

Commissioner Wechtel joined the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

Upon motion by Commissioner Gentry and second by Vice-Chariman Goforth, the Board voted unanimously to resume the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

Commissioner Gentry discussed with the Board that *Item 2, Refund Procedure Discussion* would be reviewed at a later date.

Item 1: FY 2021-2022 Budget Discussion

Daniel Metcalf, Transportation and Operations Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Transportation and Operations Department with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Mr. Metcalf, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Caleb Dispenza, Emergency Services Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of E911 with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Discussion regarding the department's proposed budget was had by the Board with Mr. Dispenza, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Ross Young, Cooperative Extension Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Cooperative Extension Department with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members.

Commissioner Gentry exited the meeting at 3:33 p.m.

Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Mr. Young, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Commissioner Gentry returned to the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Louis Roberts, Emergency Management Coordinator presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Emergency Management Department with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Mr. Roberts, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Jaime Lunsford, IT Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the IT Department with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members.

Vice-Chairman Goforth exited the meeting at 4:19 p.m.

Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Mr. Mr. Lunsford, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Vice-Chairman Goforth returned to the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

Kim Bellofatto Library Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Library System with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Ms. Bellofatto, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Chairman Snelson exited the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

Commissioner Gentry exited the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Ms. Bellofatto, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Commissioner Gentry returned to the meeting at 4:39 p.m.

Commissioner Gentry discussed with the Board, the process used to review the proposed FY 21-22 budget for the County and that an approved draft version would be needed by May, 2021.

Chairman Snelson returned to the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Commissioner Gentry noted how the budget process has worked in the past and how it could work for approval of the next fiscal year.

Discussion was had by the Board regarding budgetary requests received on behalf of department heads, proposed salary increase requests, the countywide compensation and classification policy, employee benefits, and the amount of funding needed for the proposed budget as well as the plan for the next work session in order to continue to review the proposed budget.

At 4:56 p.m. and upon motion by Chairman Snelson and second by Commissioner Garrison, the Board voted unanimously to recess the meeting until April 22, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at the Marshall Branch of the Madison County Public Library, 1335 N. Main Street, Marshall, NC 28753.

Upon motion by Commissioner Gentry and second by Commissioner Goforth, the Board voted to return to the meeting on April 22, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. In attendance were Chairman Snelson, Vice-Chairman

Goforth, Commissioner/Interim County Manager Norris Gentry, Commissioner Matt Wechtel, Commissioner Michael Garrison, and Clerk Mandy Bradley.

Buddy Harwood, Sheriff of Madison County and Darlyne Rhinehart Accounting Specialist for the Sheriff's Office presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Sheriff's Office with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Sheriff Harwood, Ms. Rhinehart, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Lori Ray, Tax Administrator presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Tax Department with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Ms. Ray, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Chris Maney, Parks and Recreation Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Department with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Mr. Maney, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Angela Davis, Animal Shelter Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Animal Shelter with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Ms. Davis, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Upon motion by Commissioner Gentry and second by Vice-Chairman Goforth, the Board voted unanimously to recess at 4:44 p.m.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wechtel and second by Commissioner Gentry, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session at 4:50 p.m.

Jesse Roberts, Maintenance Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Maintenance Department with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Mr. Roberts, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Sam Lunsford, Solid Waste Director presented and discussed proposed budget information and requests on behalf of the Solid Waste Department with the Board as well as answered questions from Board members. Proposed budget discussion was had by the Board with Mr. Lunsford, Human Resources Director Brooke Ledford, and Interim Finance Officer Kary Ledford.

Discussion was had by the Board regarding future work sessions for budget meetings.

Item 2: Refund Procedure Discussion

No discussion was had, Item 2 held until a future meeting.

Item 3: Adjournment

Upon motion by Commissioner Gentry and second by Commissioner Garrison, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:21 p.m.

This the 22nd day of April, 2021.

MADISON COUNTY

Mark Snelson, Chairman Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Mandy Bradley, Clerk